

# Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash –Smyrna



**Smyrna**– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a crash that occurred on August 12, 2018, that has turned into a fatal.

The incident occurred on Sunday, August 12, 2018 at approximately 2:16 p.m., when a 2012 Harley Davidson was traveling eastbound on Lighthouse Road attempting to make a left turn into the Boondocks Restaurant entrance/exit. A 2005 Honda X13 (3-wheeled motorcycle) was following directly behind the Harley Davidson. The operator of the Harley Davidson had his turn signal on and applied his brakes to stop and make the left turn. The operator of the Honda failed to see the Harley Davidson's turn signal in time and locked his front brakes up. Subsequently the Honda struck the rear of the Harley Davidson. The collision caused both operators and a passenger of the Honda to be ejected, and the Honda to overturn on its right side.

The operator of the Harley Davidson, 45-year-old male from Townsend, was not wearing a helmet and was transported to the Bayhealth Kent General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The operator of the Honda, a 71-year-old male from Townsend, was not wearing a helmet and was transported to the Christiana Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The passenger of the Honda, 76-year-old **Carolyn Gamble** from Townsend, was wearing a helmet and was transported to the Christiana Hospital in serious condition. On August 17, 2018, Carolyn Gamble succumb to her injuries.

Lighthouse Road was closed for approximately 5 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

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